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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Sauerberg et al.

Confirmation No.: 2809

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Group Art Unit: 1621

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Examiner: Keys, Rosalynd Ann

For: Novel Compounds, Their Preparation ans Use

## AMENDMENT/RESPONSE

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This amendment is submitted in response to the non-final Office Action on the merits mailed March 6, 2007, having a shortened statutory period for reply set to expire June 6. 2007, subject to extensions of time under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a).

A petition for a three (3) month extension of time to increase the period for reply from June 6, 2007, to September 6, 2007, is enclosed herewith to permit timely filing of this Amendment/Response.

The examiner states in the Office Action Summary that claims numbered 1-73 are pending in the application; claims numbered 1-4, 9-11, 16-22, 24, 26-28, 32-34, 38-52, 54 and 63-69 are rejected; claims numbered 58, 59 and 61 are objected to. The examiner also states claimes numbered 1-73 are subject to restriction and/or election requirement. Claims withdrawn from consideration are 5-8, 12-15, 23, 25, 29-31, 35-37, 53, 55-57, 60, 62, and 70-73. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.121, Applicant submits a complete listing of all of the claims ever presented for this pending application, which will replace the preceding claim listing.

Claims numbered 1, 48, 54, 58, 59, 61, 66 and 69 are amended herein. Claims numbered 49-52 and 67-68 are cancelled herein.

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